GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3855
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OPENING OF CSD CANTEENS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have determined any parameters for opening of new CSD canteens;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to open a CSD canteen at Sadulpur sub-division of Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the time by which final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3855 8.8.2002

There are laid down guidelines in Army Order No. 584/74 for opening of new Canteen Stores Department Canteens (Unit Run Canteens). As per the these guidelines, sanction to open/operate a new Unit Run Canteen is accorded by the Brigade/Sub Area or Higher Formation Commanders subject to the condition that the unit has on its strength one hundred or more service personnel including attached personnel. As regards opening of Canteens for ex-servicemen, Command Headquarters are at liberty to open canteens for ex-servicemen at their discretion. However, a broad guideline of minimum requirement of 10,000 ex-servicemen in an area and the economic and administrative viability of running the canteen is kept in view by the Formation Commanders while deciding about opening of a Unit Run Canteen for ex-servicemen.

2. There is no proposal under consideration for opening of a Unit Run Canteen at Sadulpur Sub-Division in Rajasthan.